

Service Date: May 15, 2000

FINAL ORDER NO. 6479

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SERVICE REGULATION
MONTANA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
P.O. Box 202601
Helena, Montana 59620-2601

IN THE MATTER OF Ronald Ray Fletcher) Docket No. T-00.23.PCN
dba Uptown Cab Co., Sidney, Montana,) Order No. 6479
Application for a Montana Intrastate)
Certificate of Public Convenience and)
Necessity.)

The Commission, being fully advised in the premises, makes the following findings, conclusions and order:

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. On February 9, 2000, Ronald Ray Fletcher dba Uptown Cab Co., Sidney, Montana, filed an application with the Montana Public Service Commission under Title 69, MCA, for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity authorizing transportation of the following:

Class B – Passengers between all points and places in Richland County, Montana.

2. In accordance with Section 69-23-321, MCA, this matter was noticed to the public March 7, 2000. That notice said in pertinent part:

If no written protests are received by March 27, 2000, a hearing may not be held and a final order may be issued in this Docket. If a protest is received, a hearing will be scheduled. Individual notice of the hearing will be given only to Protestants and Applicant.

The application included affidavits of support

3. Protest was filed by Vance L. and Jackie L. Johnson dba V & J Taxi Service, Sidney, Montana.

4. Notice of Public Hearing was issued April 20, 2000, with hearing scheduled for May 10, 2000, in Sidney, Montana

5. Prior to the hearing the protest was withdrawn.

6. The record of this application is available for inspection at the Public Service Commission Office, 1701 Prospect Avenue, P.O. Box 202601, Helena, Montana 59620-2601.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. The Montana Public Service Commission properly exercises jurisdiction over the parties and subject matter in this proceeding.

2. The Commission afforded all parties interested in this proceeding proper notice and an opportunity to participate.

3. Public Convenience and Necessity require a grant of the authority sought by the Applicant.

ORDER

NOW THEREFORE, at a session of the Public Service Commission, Department of Public Service Regulation of the State of Montana, held in its offices at 1701 Prospect Avenue, Helena, Montana, on Monday, the 15th day of May, 2000, there being present a quorum of Commissioners, there came regularly before the Commission for final action the matters and things in Docket No. T-00.23.PCN, and the Commission being fully advised in the premises;

IT IS ORDERED by the Commission that the application of Ronald Ray Fletcher dba Uptown Cab Co., Sidney, Montana, for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity IS GRANTED to the following extent:

Class B – Passengers between all points and places in
Richland County, Montana.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a full, true, and correct copy of this order be sent
forthwith by first class mail to the applicant and all parties herein.

THE FOREGOING ORDER was adopted by the Department of Public Service Regulation
of the State of Montana, Public Service Commission, IN OPEN SESSION at Helena, Montana, this
15th day of May, 2000, by a vote of 5-0.

BY ORDER OF THE MONTANA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION.

DAVE FISHER, Chairman

NANCY McCAFFREE, Vice Chair

BOB ANDERSON, Commissioner

GARY FELAND, Commissioner

BOB ROWE, Commissioner

ATTEST:

Kathlene M. Anderson
Commission Secretary

(SEAL)

NOTE: Any interested party may request the Commission to reconsider this decision. A motion to reconsider must be filed within ten (10) days. See 38.2.4806, ARM.